

WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE MERIT COMMISSION MINUTES
December 12, 2011

The West Lafayette Police Merit Commission met in regular session in the Lower Level Conference Room of City Hall on December 12, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Commission President Leverenz called the meeting to order and presided.

PRESENT: Commissioners Corrigan, Kirkpatrick, Leverenz, No, and Troyer.

ALSO PRESENT: Commission Attorney Brooks and Police Chief Dombkowski.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2011, regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kirkpatrick. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2011, Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Troyer. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Interviews

Commission President Leverenz said that there are Sergeant interviews to be done. Police Chief Dombkowski said that there is no pressure to do those. The dates for those will be determined at the January meeting.

Police Chief Dombkowski thanked the Merit Commission for their time in the interviews for Lieutenant and Captain.

2012 Meeting Schedule

Commission President Leverenz said that the 2012 meeting schedule, approved at the November 14 meeting, was at each place before the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discipline for Officer Greene

Commission President Leverenz said that Police Chief Dombkowski had issued a five-day suspension to Officer Greene. Commissioners received that document earlier. No action on this item is needed.

Chief's Report

Police Chief Dombkowski reported that Mayor Dennis would name a Deputy Police Chief around the first of the year. The Chief announced that he would miss the meetings for the spring semester, as he would be enrolled in a graduate course at Purdue. The Deputy Police Chief will attend Merit Commission meetings if the Chief is unavailable.

Police Chief Dombkowski distributed copies of the November Police Department report to the Council and reviewed items in the report.

Commissioner Troyer asked, when the Deputy Chief is appointed, if there would be a vacancy in the Captain rank. Police Chief Dombkowski said that would be the case. Commission President Leverenz asked if there would be only one Captain needed. Police Chief Dombkowski answered that there would be only one Captain needed for now. Commission President Leverenz said that

would open a Lieutenant position. Police Chief Dombkowski agreed. Commission President Leverenz asked for confirmation that there were enough Sergeants. The Chief agreed.

Eligibility Lists

Commission President Leverenz said that, while there is no promotion list now, he would be creating one, which would be distributed to the Commission. Counsel Brooks said that the promotion list does not have to be certified by the Board of Works. That list is confidential, as are all the eligibility lists. Each list is independent of the others. Commissioner Kirkpatrick said that she was asked by someone if who was interviewed was public information. Counsel Brooks said who was interviewed is public information.

Interviews for Sergeant

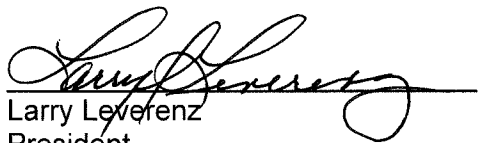
The Merit Commission will get evaluations of the candidates who will be interviewed before the interview sessions.

NEXT MEETING

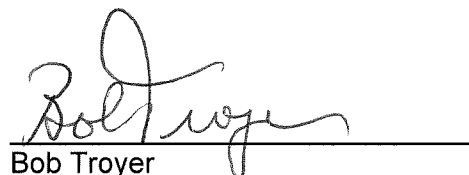
January 9, 2012, 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Corrigan moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kirkpatrick. Commission President Leverenz adjourned the meeting, the time being 6:55 p.m.



Larry Leverenz
President



Bob Troyer
Secretary